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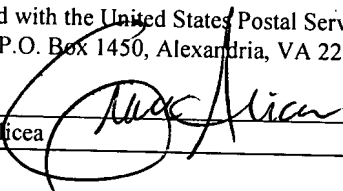
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL OF DECISION OF THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 CFR 1.191**

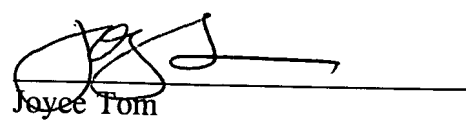
Sir:

In the Final Office Action dated August 6, 2003, and the Advisory Action issued December 3, 2003, the Examiner has rejected claims 1-14, 56 and 57. In response, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board the decision of the Primary Examiner. An Appellant's Brief will be filed in triplicate within two months of the date of this Notice.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of **\$330.00** to Deposit Account No. 09-0460 (IBM Corporation) for payment of Notice of Appeal filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(b).

Respectfully submitted,

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